

Transportation Advisory Committee

March 9, 2016 TAC, 7:15 pm to 9:15 pm, Town Hall 2nd floor conf. room

Present: Seth Federspiel, Mike Gordon, John Hurd, Melissa Laube, Jeff Maxtutis, Marjorie Moores, Howard Muise, Victor Rivas, Scott Smith, Laura Wiener.

Non-members present: none

Missing members: Corey Rateau, Cary Conrad, Jeanette Rebecchi, Wayne Chouinard,

Public Comments: none

Administrative Matters: Minutes were approved unanimously. Handouts were reviewed.

Town Reports:

Laura—The Complete Streets policy is expected to go to the Selectmen for comment and adoption April 4. We will also need to do a prioritization plan. There is a Warrant Article requesting the Town to allocate 5-10% of parking spaces in commercial areas for handi-capped parking. Scott offered to look at off-street standards. Laura also notified members about an upcoming public meeting regarding the Arlington Center Safe Travel project which is about to begin construction.

Lake Street. Jeff reported that the Selectmen approved TAC's recommendations. They will establish a Design Review Committee to test concepts. Selectmen suggested that TAC lead the group, but Jeff thought it better for DPW to lead, with a few members from TAC on the committee.

Mass. Ave. Punch List. A letter was received from Phil Goff about additional items for Mass. Ave. Rebuild project. Without Wayne present it was hard to address this item.

Park Ave. at Appleton Ped. Flags. It was agreed to combine this Working Group with the Appleton Street Working Group since there is overlap between the two studies. Mike G. will lead, with Wayne and Melissa. Since Park Ave. is very wide at Appleton St. it is difficult for pedestrians to cross. Possible solutions include bump-outs on Park Ave., pedestrian activated lights, moving stop bar on Appleton closer to intersection. Wayne will do some concepts for the group to review. Park Ave. could be a candidate for Complete Streets treatment, from Mass. Ave. to Route 2. This group should coordinate closely with the Paul Revere Road Working Group

Safe Pedestrian Access at Bus Stops. Melissa reported that she is still collecting data.

School Issues. Marjorie continues to work with Adam K., GIS Director.

Ped Flags. Mike and Jeff repaired a number of canisters.

Jason Street. Selectmen received letter from MassDOT denying the Town's request for a truck exclusion for Jason Street. Crosswalk at Menotomy Rocks Park--Working Group needs to review. Then recommendation will come to TAC for a vote, and then go to Selectmen.

Crosswalk on Warren Street at Beacon Street/Wyman Street. Working Group met at site. 38 pedestrians crossed between 5:30 and 6. Parking could be pushed back from corner to improve visibility. Draft report should be ready next month.

Adjourned at 8:55.

Meeting Materials:

- Meeting Packet for March: Agenda 3/9/16; Minutes of 2/10/16; Individual Action List 2/10/16; Project List dated 3/9/16.
- Email, dated February 21, 2016 from EALS Coalition to Nathan Cabral-Curtis, Howard Stein-Hudson, re: Suggested Additions to the Mass Ave Punch List.
- Arlington Town Meeting Warrant Article 59, Resolution/Handicap parking Spaces.
- Upcoming Meetings on the Green Line Extension
- MassDOT announcement, "Arlington Center Safe Travel project Begins April 1, Info Session March 23"
- Memo from Wayne Chouinard to TAC, TAC Update Items, dated March 9, 2016.